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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Zeev SMILANSKY, Sagie TSADKA, Zvi LAPIDOT and  
Rivi SHERMAN

A PIXEL BASED MACHINE FOR PATTERNED WAFERS

**Assignee: APPLIED MATERIALS, INC**

Divisional of U.S. Application 09/110,870  
Our Ref: Q67625

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No 09/110,870 (Confirmation No. Not Assigned) filed July 7, 1998 of Zeev SMILANSKY, Sagie TSADKA, Zvi LAPIDOT and Rivi SHERMAN entitled A PIXEL BASED MACHINE FOR PATTERNED WAFERS.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 13 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and a PTO Form 1449 listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the parent application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2623.

Cancel claims 8-14 and 16-25.

Please insert the following sentence as the first sentence in the specification: --This is a divisional of Application No. 09/110,870 filed July 7, 1998, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.--

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